

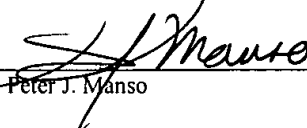
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In re Application of: Eugeno Cefali
Serial No.: 08/962,027
Filing Date: October 31, 1997
Group Art Unit: 1615
Examiner: Benston, Jr., W.
Title: *Intermediate Release Nicotinic Acid Compositions for Treating Hyperlipidemia Having Unique CMAX, TMAX and AUC Biopharmaceutical Characteristics*

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Transmitted herewith is a Response for the above-identified application for U.S. patent. In addition, a Petition for Extension of Time, and a returned post card are transmitted herewith.

It is submitted that application is a small entity. A verified statement has been already filed in connection with the above-identified application for U.S. patent.

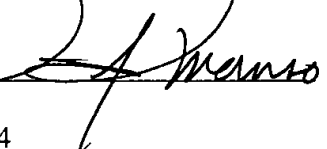
The proceedings herein are for a U.S. Patent Application and therefore, the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136 apply. Because no claims have been added via this Response, no additional fee for claims is required.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0951 in the sum of \$465.00 for a small entity three month extension of time pursuant to the Petition for Extension of Time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0951, which include any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 and under 37 CFR §1.20(d), any filing fees under 37 CFR §1.16 including fees for presentation of extra claims, and any extension of time fees pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136 and 37 CFR §1.17(a)-(d).

Respectfully Submitted,

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